

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A filter screen for use in pulp production comprising a woven mesh of metal wires with reinforcing filaments, regularly spaced, in the cross machine and machine directions.
2. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 1, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced by brazing.
3. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 1, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced by welding.
4. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 1, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced during weaving.
5. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 1, wherein said reinforcing filaments are added after weaving.
6. (Withdrawn) A filter screen for use in pulp production comprising a woven synthetic fabric with reinforcing filaments, regularly spaced, in the cross machine and machine directions.
7. (Withdrawn) The invention as claimed in claim 6, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced during weaving.
8. (Withdrawn) The invention as claimed in claim 6, wherein said reinforcing filaments are added after weaving.

9. (Original) A filter screen for use in material formation comprising a woven mesh of metal wires with reinforcing filaments, regularly spaced, in the cross machine and machine directions.

10. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 9, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced by brazing.

11. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 9, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced by welding.

12. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 9, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced during weaving.

13. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 9, wherein said reinforcing filaments are added after weaving.

14. (Withdrawn) A filter screen for use in fabric formation comprising a woven synthetic fabric with reinforcing filaments, regularly spaced, in the cross machine and machine directions.

15. (Withdrawn) The invention as claimed in claim 14, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced during weaving.

16. (Withdrawn) The invention as claimed in claim 14, wherein said reinforcing filaments are added after weaving.

17. (Currently Amended) A filter screen for use in material transport ~~comprising~~ of comprising a woven mesh of metal wires with reinforcing filaments, regularly spaced, in the cross machine and machine directions.

18. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 17, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced by brazing.

19. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 17, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced by welding.

20. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 17, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced during weaving.

21. (Original) The invention as claimed in claim 17, wherein said reinforcing filaments are added after weaving.

22. (Withdrawn) A filter screen for use in fabric formation comprising a woven synthetic fabric with reinforcing filaments, regularly spaced, in the cross machine and machine directions.

23. (Withdrawn) The invention as claimed in claim 22, wherein said reinforcing filaments are produced during weaving.

24. (Withdrawn) The invention as claimed in claim 22, wherein said reinforcing filaments are added after weaving.

25. (New) A filter screen comprising:  
a first plurality of filaments extending in a first direction;  
a second plurality of filaments extending in a second direction transverse to the first direction, the second plurality of filaments being woven with the first plurality of filaments;  
a first reinforcing structure in cooperation with the second plurality of filaments to reinforce the second plurality of filaments in the first direction; and  
a second reinforcing structure in cooperation with the first plurality of filaments to reinforce the first plurality of filaments in the second direction.

26. (New) A filter screen according to claim 25, wherein the first reinforcing structure is a first reinforcing filament woven with the second plurality of filaments to extend in the first direction.

27. (New) A filter screen according to claim 25, wherein the second reinforcing structure is a second reinforcing filament woven with the first plurality of filaments to extend in the second direction.

28. (New) A filter screen according to claim 26, wherein the second reinforcing structure is a second reinforcing filament woven with the first plurality of filaments to extend in the second direction.